Minutes – Egremont Water Meeting 12 May 2016

Egremont Town Hall - 3:00 PM

Present: S. Agar; R. Palmucci; J. Olmsted; W. Brinker

General:

Minutes of the April 14, 2016 meeting were approved as distributed.

Outflows consistently around 30 thousand gallons per day, with weekends showing an increase.

Old Business:

Flushing of the system has been completed.

Accounts with large outstanding balances are making an effort to bring them up to date. Most customers make payments monthly.

The FY 2017 budget has been approved at Town Meeting.

The meter for the pit by the water plant will be installed in the next two weeks.

New Business:

End of year projects remaining to be accomplished: the hydraulic (water) powered sump pump for the pump chamber on Mount Washington Road will be installed; a few (4) bury boxes need attention/replacement.

The Egremont Water Department was recognized by MA DEP in the Energy Conservation category of the 2016 Public Water System Awards Program. Mr. Olmsted was presented the award at a ceremony in Devens.

The Commissioners approved adding a Water Department page to the Town's website. This will enable customers access to news, announcements and other information about drinking water from the state and federal DEP.

MA DEP has announced assistance to schools for additional testing for lead and copper; the notice was forwarded to the SBRSD.

Miscellaneous:

The Consumer Confidence Report will be ready for inclusion in the June billing. Egremont Water Department is monitored daily along with monthly, quarterly and annual lab testing for contaminants.

A letter will be sent to a customer who had a high use; unfortunately it appears to have been a leaky toilet valve – the amount is consistent with similar events in the past. The request for an abatement was denied.

The warrant to the Accounting Officer was approved for the May billing commitment in the amount of \$16,722.00.

The May 12 bills payable warrant was approved and signed.

The next meeting will be Thursday June 9, 2016 at 3:00PM.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted, W. Brinker